

Wenatchee Valley Museum's Super Summer Adventures 2013

A camp for Leonardo Da Vinci fans kicks off the Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center's six-week Super Summer Adventures, a series of camps featuring art, cooking, science and more. Each session runs 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Thursday and is for kids entering grades 1 - 7. Classes start June 17 and go through August 1. To sign up for a class stop by Wenatchee Valley Museum, 127 South Mission Street, Wenatchee or call 509-888-6240.

Session I June 17-20

9 a.m. to noon at the museum

Grades 1-7

Da Vincineers

Da Vincineer camp creator and Macy's Million Dollar Makeover winner Amy Ferrell is excited to introduce students in kindergarten through seventh grade to the genius of Leonardo Da Vinci. Camp activities include creating fantastic masks inspired by Da Vinci's designs for royal pageants, building a small model of a helicopter, exploring measurement based on the Vitruvian Man, nature sketching, secret messaging using chemical reactions, topographic maps and 3-D geometric studies.

Session II June 24-27

9 a.m. to noon at Orchard Middle School

Grades 1-2

Awesome Arts and Crafts with a Four of July flavor – Barbara Hubacek Willis

Dive into Independence Day with fun projects geared to celebrate the proud history of the United States from its very beginning! Transform everyday materials into a fabulous bunting to decorate your house in holiday red, white and blue! Create crafts to dazzle family and friends at home with the help of a veteran teacher.

1, 2, 3 Blastoff! – Instructor TBA

Experiment with things that go BOOM, from foaming chemicals to popping balloons. Make flying machines (from loopers to helicopter) with paper, water, straws, funnels, balls and balloons. Create rockets and air planes that are yours to take home.

Grades 3-5

Machine mania – Instructor TBA

If you like gadgets, gizmos and brilliant ideas, then this is the camp for you! Discover inventions by kids and famous inventors. Solve design challenges and build your own flashlight from scratch. Experiment with electricity, motors and more to discover how things work, from light bulbs to submarines. Get creative as you plan and build your own ingenious inventions.

For the love of Horses – Cordi Bradburn

If you love horses, this is the class for you! Share time learning to draw and sculpt the animal you love while hanging out with other kids who love them too. Draw a horse head in charcoal, horses in action and finish a complete horse in oil pastels. Paint a magic horse and make a horse head using non-firing clay.

Grades 5-7

Boston Tea Party – Rod Molzahn

Bring history to life by donning a period costume and take of the part of a well-known historical figure in this fun-reenactment of an iconic moment in American history. Lots of comedy! Veteran director!

Digital Photography – Rick Williams

Learn to take, edit and save digital photos for fun projects using cameras and computer software. Cameras are provided.

Session III July 8-July 11

9 a.m. to noon at the museum

Grades 1-2

Rhythm, Rhyme and a Reason to Read – Barbara Hubacek-Willis

Have a rollicking time reading great literature. Strengthen your new-found reading skills this summer. Use favorite rhymes, movement, rhythm, games and writing to practice and improve your reading.

Wizarding 101 – Instructor TBA

Step into an amazing world of wizarding as you learn the real science behind the care of wizard pets, herbs, herpetology and the chemistry behind magical potions. Create your own wand, hat and book of science spells in this week of wonders.

Grades 3-5

Fashion Art – Cordi Bradburn

If fashion is your thing and you love creating new ideas ... and then wearing them, this is your class! We will experiment with recycling the fashions of the past into the bling of today! Make your own super-cool t-shirt and paint it to match your style. Create your own fashion collection along with your own look in a super model. Come join the fashion team!

Catch a criminal! – Instructor TBA

Learn how to life and develop fingerprints, sample soils, cast footprints and teeth and make rope impressions. Assemble your own crime kit and use your skills to collect clues at a crime scene. **Please note: This class may discuss real life issues of crime and death.**

Grades 5-7

Cooking with Ancient Grains – Jan Clark

From quinoa to amaranth, this class gets back to our culinary roots! Beyond the old standbys of wheat, corn, oats and rice a whole world of delicious grains await discovery. Create delicious and unique dishes and bring home recipes to try out on your family!

May the Force be With You – Rosa Eilert

Work with levers, pulleys and learn physics terminology like thrust and lift as you examine everyday tools and machines. Design your own inventions to test the laws of physics!

Super Summer Guitar – Tami Lopushinsky

Learn to play the guitar! Explore different techniques and styles, and then learn to play melodies using finger picking, strumming and ensemble playing. Some guitars will be available to borrow, or you may bring your own.

Session IV July 15-July 18

9 a.m. to noon at the museum

Grades 1-2

Slimy Science – Rosa Eilert

Explore the world and learn about science through the use of hands and senses. Perform a variety of experiments designed to introduce students to the wonders of chemistry.

Celebrate the Seasons – Barbara Hubacek-Willis

Experience the wonder of the snowflake, the awe of autumn leaves, the heat of summer and the beauty of spring all in one day! Explore the changes in the seasons with a variety of fun arts and crafts projects designed by a veteran teacher.

Grades 3-5

Make it Easy, Make it great – Jan Clark

Learn the basics of correct measuring and mixing methods, knife skills and cooking safety while making delicious snacks, treats and entrees from fresh produce and whole foods.

Claytoons! – Instructor TBA

This camp will teach students to draw, paint and sculpt their favorite characters from the cartoon world. Popular characters in great movies new and old will be featured.

Grades 5-7

Painting with style – Cordi Bradburn

If you are a serious painting student and want to learn some different techniques, this is for you. We will look at four different painting styles. Find yourself, and make new friends who share your passion for art!

Medieval Mayhem – Instructor TBA

Become a medieval apprentice as you discover the fascinating world of the Middle Ages. Build your own siege machine, learn how to make chain mail and explore how the black plague devastated Europe. Dip your own candles and cook delicacies from the “Dark Ages.” Be a herald as you investigate heraldry and make your own shield.

Session V July 22-July 25

9 a.m. to noon at the museum

Grades 1-2

The Science of Disaster – Instructor TBA

Have fun exploring the powers of nature in the forms fire, ice, wind and water. Then shake up your world with a look at earthquakes, volcanoes, tornadoes, hurricanes and blizzards. Build a hurricane-proof house, create a tornado in a bottle, make an edible earthquake and much, much more!

Quirky Creature Art Camp – Instructor TBA

Come and meet some wildly weird and unusual creatures and learn how to draw, paint and sculpt what you see. We'll be looking up into the trees, into the ocean and exploring the desert to discover some fun new animals. This camp will show you a side of nature you never imagined.

Grades 3-5

Culinary adventures – Rozanne Lind

Become a food explorer by discovering easy and delicious meals and snacks to serve and enjoy. There will be many choices, so you can choose your culinary adventure and not feel forced to eat "yucky green stuff!"

Confidence in Art – Instructor TBA

Let's build artistic confidence! This class is geared toward the older beginner. Students learn fundamental drawing and painting concepts as they build confidence in their skills and their ability to make their own artistic decisions. Students will experiment with markers, chalk and oil pastel, watercolor and acrylic paint, and colored pencils.

Grades 5-7

The Secret Life of Spies – Instructor TBA

Your assignment, should you choose to accept it, is to recover secret information while escaping detection. Learn mysterious codes to send covert messages to your friends. Build spy gadgets like alarms to protect your private lair from intruders and create a disguise to hide your true identity.

Art in Studio – Instructor TBA

This is an advanced class for students ready for more studio art exploration. Students will gain the confidence to create portfolio work in 2-D and 3-D design using a variety of media including graphite, charcoal, color pencil, pastels, acrylic and watercolor. Perspective, human form, portraiture, animals, still life and nature studies are just some of the projects offered.

Session VI July 29-Aug. 1

9 a.m. to noon at the museum

Grades 1-2

Amazing Waterworld – Instructor TBA

From bubbles to fountains to waves and whales, dive into this watery adventure! Create amazing bubble buildings and bubble art. Make a mysterious diver sink at your command, then design your own cargo boat and figure out why it floats.

Fantasy Island – Instructor TBA

Come create your own Fantasy Island landscape! Wondrous animals, island people and creatures that live above and below the ocean await you. You will create your own imaginary characters and clay sculpture animals! There will be plenty of exciting visuals to spark your own artful ideas and maybe a pirate cartoon or two! Let's explore this fantasy world together!

Grades 3-5

Kitchen Chemistry – Rosa Eilert

This is science you can really sink your teeth into! Are you ready to cook up some crazy chemical concoctions? Learn what kind of mold actually tastes good, what flowers are safe to eat and what cool chemical reactions happen as we cook. Explore cuisine from other countries; grow your own food and much more. **This class is not recommended for children with food allergies or food sensitivities.**

Canvas Connection – Instructor TBA

Students learn about painting on canvas paper, canvas board and stretched canvas using acrylics. Students will be inspired as they learn the techniques, style and vocabulary of such artists as Renoir, Mondrian, Laurel Burch, Jackson Pollock, Modigliani, Warhol, Sam Francis and Frank Stella.

Grades 5-7

Design and Destruction – Instructor TBA

Try your hand at design and architecture as you create your own awe-inspiring structures. Explore the science of shape and make tessellations like M.C. Escher. Plan and build model bridges, skyscrapers and more. Test your projects to see how much strain they can take before they crumble, and discover the fatal flaws of structures throughout history.

Time Machine – Instructor TBA

A hands-on exploration of Greek sculpting, cave painting and pop art. Features printing with tempura, acrylics, creating personal stamps, printing with feathers and experimenting with Japanese fish printing.

Classes are \$70 for museum members, \$85 for non-members for the each session. To sign up, call or stop by Wenatchee Valley Museum at 127 South Mission Street, Wenatchee. For more information call 509-888-6240 or email info@wvmcc.org.

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